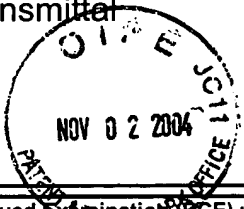


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Filing Date	November 26, 2002
First Named Inventor	Muthuvelan Varadharajulu
Art Unit	3673
Examiner Name	Robert G. Santos
Attorney Docket Number	129716 (14060US01)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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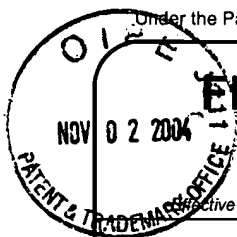
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Table for Vascular Applications

Examiner: Robert G. Santos

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Examiner Santos:

This Amendment is being entered with a Request for Continuing Examination following the Final Office Action mailed August 27, 2004. Please enter and consider the following Amendment as a submission in conjunction with the Request for Continuing Examination. This Amendment and Request for Continuing Examination are considered timely because they are submitted within three months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

Application No. 10/065,866
Attorney Docket No. 129716
Amendment dated November 2, 2004
Reply to Final Office Action of August 27, 2004

Amendments to the Claims:

Reflected in the listing of claims that begins
on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments:

Begin on page 15 of this paper.